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Reference AA: United States Patent 4,796,090 to Fraier, issued January 3, 1989, entitled "Reconnaissance System".

Reference AB: United States Patent 5,029,963 to Naselli et al., issued July 9, 1991, entitled "Replacement Device For A Driver's Viewer".

Reference AC: United States Patent 5,084,780 to Phillips, issued January 28, 1992, entitled "Telescopic Sight For Day/Night Viewing".

Reference AD: United States Patent 5,218,194 to Garbi et al., issued June 8, 1993, entitled "Advanced High Voltage Power Supply For Night Vision Image Intensifier".

Reference AE: United States Patent 5,349,177 to Thomas et al., issued September 20, 1994, entitled "Image Intensifier Tube Having A Solid State Electron Amplifier".

Reference AE: United States Patent 5,665,959 to Fossum et al., issued September 9, 1997, entitled "Solid-State Image Sensor With Focal-Plane Digital Photon-Counting Pixel Array".

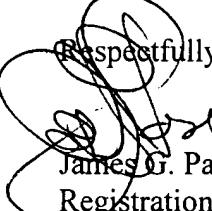
Reference AG: United States Patent 6,069,352 to Castracane et al., issued May 30, 2000, entitled "Intensity Control System For Intensified Imaging Systems".

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Reference AI: United States Patent 6,271,511 to Pierle, issued August 7, 2001, entitled "High-Resolution Night Vision Device With Image Intensifier Tube, Optimized High-Resolution MCP, And Method".

Reference AJ: United States Patent 6,278,104 to Saldana et al., issued August 21, 2001, entitled "Power Supply For Night Viewers".

Reference AK: United States Patent 6,285,018 to Aebi et al., issued September 4, 2001, entitled "Electron Bombarded Active Pixel Sensor".

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